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1. EMBOFF MET WITH FONMIN POLITICAL UNDER DIRECTOR EDWARDSSEN OCT 7 TO REEMPHASIZE IMPORTANCE WE ATTACH TO KOREAN ISSUE IN UNGA AND PROVIDE LIST OF QHY NORWAY SHOULD BACK FRIENDLY RESOLUTION AND ITS SUPPORTING PROCEDURAL MEASURES AND OPPOSE HOSTILE RESOLUTION. EMBOFF OUTLINED ARGUMENTS CONTAINED REFS C AND D, POINTING OUT IN ADDITION THAT TO ABSTAIN ON HOSTILE RESOLUTION WAS TO UNDERCUT THE FRIENDLY RESOLUTION AND TO ENCOURAGE NORTH KOREA AND ITS SUPPORTERS TO PERSIST IN THEIR INTRANSIGENCE AND MILITANT ATTITUDE AND ACTIONS. POINTING OUT THAT NORWEGIANS, WHO PRIDE THEMSELVES IN SPEAKING FRANKLY TO THEIR ALLIES ON MATTERS, SHOULD IN THIS CASE DO THE SAME TO THE NORTH KOREANS.

2. EDWARDSSEN, WHO IS SENIOR OFFICIAL DEALING WITH UN MATTERS IN OSLO WHILE FOREIGN MINISTER FRYDENLUND
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AND POLITICAL DIRECTOR GENERAL VIBE ARE IN NEW YORK,

(SEE REF B) WAS IMPRESSED BY FACT THAT US PLACES HIGH PRIORITY ON KOREA. HE ADMITTED US ARGUMENTS HAD MERIT BUT HE FELT NORWEGIANS HAD NOT FOUND ARGUMENTS WHICH WOULD PERSUADE THEM TO CHANGE THEIR ABSTENTION POSITION OF LAST YEAR ON HOSTILE RESOLUTION. EMBOFF GAVE HIM COPIES OF FRENCH AMENDMENTS TO FRIENDLY RESOLUTION, AND EDWARDSSEN SAID NORWEGIANS WOULD BE REVIEWING THEM.

3. AS WE HAVE STATED EARLIER, WE BELIEVE THE NORWEGIANS ARE VIRTUALLY IMMOVABLE ON THEIR ABSTENTION. WITH THEIR MAJOR FOREIGN POLICY VOICES NOW IN THE US, NO ONE IN THE FOREIGN MINISTRY CAN INFLUENCE THE ISSUE.

4. FRYDENLUND IS IN NEW YORK OCT 8-9 AND WILL BE IN WASHINGTON OCT 10-11. ANY FURTHER EFFORTS AT INFLUENCING NORWEGIAN POLICY ON THIS ISSUE SHOULD BE DIRECTED AT FOREIGN MINISTER WHILE HE IS IN US.
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